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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

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A method for producing an antibody against a Sarcocystis neurona antigen selected from the group consisting of a 16 (± 4) (± 4) kDa antigen and a 30 (± 4) (± 4) kDa antigen, as determined by SDS polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis, comprising:

- (a) providing a Sarcocystis neurona antigen selected from the group consisting of the 16 $\frac{(\pm 4)}{(\pm 4)}$ kDa antigen and the 30 $\frac{(\pm 4)}{(\pm 4)}$ kDa antigen;
- (b) admixing the antigen with an adjuvant to produce an admixture;
 - (c) immunizing a mammal with the admixture to produce antibodies against antigen; and
 - (d) removing serum from the immunized mammal and isolating from the serum the antibody against the Sarcocystis neurona antigen selected from the group consisting of the (± 4) (± 4) 16 kDa antigen and the (± 4) (± 4) 30 kDa antigen.

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A method for producing a monoclonal antibody against a Sarcocystis neurona antigen selected from the group consisting of a 16 $\frac{\pm 4}{(+/-4)}$ kDa antigen and a 30 $\frac{\pm 4}{(+/-4)}$ kDa antigen, as determined by SDS polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis, comprising:

- (a) providing a microorganism containing a DNA encoding a fusion polypeptide in which a *Sarcocystis* neurona antigen selected from the group consisting of the 16 (± 4) $(\pm 4-4)$ kDa antigen and the 30 (± 4) $(\pm 4-4)$ kDa antigen;
- (b) admixing the antigen with an adjuvant to produce an admixture;
- (c) inoculating mice with the admixture to produce antibodies against antigen;
- (d) removing the spleens from the mice which produce the antibodies against the antigen;
- (e) removing spleen cells from the spleens and mixing the spleen cells from the spleens with mouse myeloma cells to produce a mixture of fused cells consisting of spleen cells fused to myeloma cells, the spleen cells, and the myeloma cells;
- (f) selecting the fused cells on cell culture medium in which the fused cells can grow but in which

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the spleen cells and the myeloma cells cannot grow; and (g) screening the fused cells for fused cells which produce the monoclonal antibody against the Sarcocystis neurona antigen selected from the group consisting of the 16 (± 4) (+/-4) kDa antigen and the 30 (± 4) (+/-4) kDa antigen to produce the monoclonal antibody.

Claims 32-35 (Cancelled)

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